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Elected at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trade Last Night.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade of the District of Rainy River was held in the town hall last evening, when the following officers were elected for 1902:

President—W. G. Cameron.
Vice President—A. H. Horn.
Sec.-Treas.—John Dean.

Members of the Council—F. Gardner, W. A. Weir, Geo. Drewry, Geo. P. Phillips, W. Margach, S. S. Cummins, D. C. Cameron, C. E. Neads.

A resolution was passed expressing the regret the board felt at losing the services of the retiring secretary, E. A. Chapman, who was compelled by ill-health to sever his connection.

The address of the retiring president, C. E. Neads, reviewed the work of the past year and the condition of the different industries which contribute to the prosperity of the town and district.

The most interesting part of the proceedings was the reading and confirmation of the minutes of the special meeting held Jan. 31, which we believe will be of special interest to our readers. Following is a complete text from the secretary's book:

Rat Portage, Ont.
31st January, 1902.

A special meeting of the Board of Trade of the district of Rainy River and of the citizens of Rat Portage, was held today in the town hall, to meet a committee appointed by the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider the matter of the numerous fires that have taken place in the town this winter, to discuss their cause, and find out as far as possible if special blame was attached to anyone, and whether negligence could be charged.

The members of the Fire Underwriters' Ass'n present were Messrs. Waugh, Bradley, Scriven, and Bruce.

The Board of Trade members present were: C. E. Neads, president; Jacob Horne, vice-president; Messrs. Horne, Shragge, McKenzie, Gerrie, Schwartz, Riach, Pennock, Drewry, Clark, G. E. Smith, Nicholson, Joe Johnson, Bunn, Rose-Campbell, W. G. Cameron, Currie, Cummins, Phillips, McCarthy, Vericker, C. H. Austin.

plying to a question of the chairman as to when the hydrant was last tested, the chief answered "On Saturday afternoon." (The fire took place at 3.15 on Monday morning.)

Alderman Horswill, chairman of the fire, water and light committee, explained the reason for keeping only one of the teams at the fire hall was that as the brigade was amateur and only one driver slept at the fire hall, the other team was kept across the way where driver number two lived, so that there was no real neglect, and that the two teams were ready for service at any time. Alderman Horswill addressed the meeting at considerable length and explained that Rat Portage had its reality three fire brigades, that of the citizens, 2,400 feet of hose, that of the lumber Company with 300 feet and steam pressure, and that of the C.P.R. with 500 feet. Both the C.P.R. and Lumber Company brigades have proved their usefulness on several occasions.

Mr. Pennoch, manager of the Bank of Ottawa, asked the chief of the fire brigade to state length of time before water was turned on, the chief answering, "between seven and nine minutes".

Mr. J. K. Beydon, local agent for the Royal Insurance Co. suggested that a strong committee be appointed to communicate with the Fire Underwriter Associations of Toronto and Montreal and to lay before them the undistorted facts of late fires.

Mr. Geo. Drewry said that it was iniquitous to allow unfounded reports to be sent out broadcast and that the columnists should be emphatically refuted.

Mr. Horn, of Messrs. Horn & Taylor, referred to the strong pressure in the mains on the night of the last fire and pointed out the tremendous difficulty of fighting fire under the circumstances, the temperature being nearly 10 degrees below zero and a strong wind blowing; he praised the brigade for their excellent work which could not, he said, have been bettered by a paid brigade.

It was moved by Mr. Geo. Phillips and seconded by Mr. J. K. Beydon, that Messrs. Geo. Drewry, S. S. Cummins, A. C. Bryce and the president of the Board of Trade be a committee of this council to draft desirable resolutions deprecating the unfair rumors which have been circulated by certain newspapers as to the cause or causes contributory to the loss of property at the Hilliard House fire.

This motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Riach then asked if the persons who sent out the erroneous press dispatches could not be criminally prosecuted and suggested that steps be taken in the investigation of modern science

ELECTRIC MINERAL FINDER

An Apparatus Which Locates Metal in Any Form Buried in the Earth.

The science of mining engineering, guided by a study of the geology of ore deposits, has accomplished wonders in recent years along the line of scientific exploration; both on the surface and underground. But there are many problems met in daily practice of vast and often vital importance which, owing to the conditions, it is simply impossible for the engineer to solve, no matter how thorough his training or wide his experience.

Such problems as these: Determination of the location of blind ledges without extensive prospect work; determination of the direction of dip of blind ledges and of ledges which crop on level ground, without development work; determination of the position of the apexes and direction of dip of the principal pay chutes in blind ledges and in undeveloped ledges without development work; determination of the line followed by the pay streak in placer ground in advance of workings or previous to the commencement of work; absolute determination of the existence or non-existence of mineral bearing ore bodies in any special area of ground, their location, if found to exist, their approximate depth from the surface, and their comparative size and richness.

This is the class of problems which the metal mining operator daily meets; and the best science could do for him until lately, was to make a wise guess and then do work to prove whether the guess was correct or not. It is said that more money is annually spent in this kind of unproductive work than the total net product of the mineral industry amounts to.

The different sciences, in a truly suggestive spirit of kindness, as their development progresses, constantly offer suggestions and actual aid to each other.

Some of the branches of the science of electricity have made great strides in recent years. These now unite to offer the means for solving the difficult problems of mining engineering.

The dream of the centuries is at last realized by this hard-working, practical generation. The ancient mystery of how to tell where to dig for the precious metals has been solved by the method of investigation of modern science

reveals at once the location of all the metallic mineral in the ground measured over.

The lines or areas of low resistance can be marked out on the map and staked on the ground with as much certainty that they indicate the location of ore, as the civil engineer can map out the varying elevations of the surface or as the assayer can determine the value of samples.

The field practice is developing an entirely new art. The scientific name for the Mineral Finder is the Tellurimeter, and the new art is called Tellurometric surveying.

Earth resistance could not be measured until the invention of this instrument, and consequently those who operate it are daily collecting data new and interesting to the scientific world.

The apparatus consists of a battery, the Tellurimeter, some brass rods and insulated copper wire. The operator directs the work of laying the wires and placing the rods, keeps account of the measurements, and plans the work as it proceeds, in accordance with the result obtained.

After having located where body or mineral deposit of any kind, he next proceeds to find out as much about it as possible. The first thing is the depth from the surface. It is a long-established principle that the current will follow the path of least resistance, so that in order to reach a deeper body, it is necessary to place the rods a long distance apart. To determine the depth of an ore body already located, the measurements over it are successively shortened until they no longer give any indication of ore.

No attempt can at present be made to tell the kind of ore, but this can generally be judged accurately by the record of the district. This survey aids in making this judgement because it indicates the slight extent of the body.

Mr. Anthony Blum of Rosalie, who owns the patent for Ontario, was at the Russell house Saturday and gave an exhibition of this wonderful apparatus to a few mining friends. Mr. Blum left Monday night for the property of the Twentieth Century Mining Co., of which he is general manager, where he will put the machine to actual use.

NORMAN SCHOOL REPORT.

The Standing of Pupils for the Month of January.

Sr. IV.—Laura Large, June Little, Minnie McMurphy, Bert McQuiggin, Jr. IV.—Florrie Snider, Ruth Greenwood; Roy Green.

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20 stamp tail (about 15 tons) from
Dinorwic, Ont., 25 miles south, to our
gold mines on Manitou lake. Hauling
to begin Feb. 15, 1902; delivery must
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Mr. Rich then asked if the persons
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taken to that end.

Mr. A. C. Bayes endorsed Mr. Rich's
suggestion. Mr. J. W. Humble referred
to the high rates ruling within
the business portion of the town and
stated that the water works and supply
were as good as any west of Toronto,
and added, he would be glad
to pay the loss resulting from
the Hilliard and Queen's hotels if the
insurance companies would pay to
him the amounts they had received in
premiums on these risks. Esq. Mayor
McCarthy agreed with Mr. Humble.

Mr. T. R. Deacon, C. E., stated
that as an engineer he might say for
the benefit of the insurance men pres
ent that he was not interested in the
fire insurance question, but he was present
on the night of the last fire and hap
pening to discuss the quantity of water
that was thrown on the fire near the Russell House, he had made
a rough calculation that evening of
the quantity of water that might
have been expected to be thrown by
the six nozzles during the continuance
of the fire, at the head pressure,
and found it to be about 12,000 gallons.
When visiting the pumping
station the next day with the chief of
the fire brigade, he personally inspec
ted the indicator record and found that
about 113,000 gallons had been pumped,
thus showing conclusively that the
hydrants were frozen and had to be thawed before
water could be obtained. He asked to be
informed officially what the condition of
the fire engine was, whether it was
efficient or not; and why the chemical
engines had not been used at the begin
ning of the fire, he drew attention
to the fact that in the report made by
Robert Howe which resulted in lowering
of rates of the town, two pairs of
hydrants were said to be kept in the
stables immediately behind the fire
hall and he found that there was only
one.

Mr. M. Nicholson, chief of the fire
brigade, said that the reports as to the
drawing of water by horses was, as
everyone knew, utterly without founda
tion, and that the hydrants were
frozen and also unsafe. He explained
that the hydrants had never been
frozen since the inception of the water
works system, with the exception of
one three years ago which was found
to be faulty and was rectified at the time.
He went on to say that there
were five streams of water playing up
on the fire with a hundred pound pres
sure in less than eight minutes. He

was then moved by Mr. S. S.
Cummins, seconded by Mr. Wm.
Schwartz, that this meeting adjourn.
W. G. CAMERON, JNO. DEAN,
President, Secretary.

The breaking of a water main on
Wellington street, Ottawa, caused
several thousand dollars damage to
stores.

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cious metals has been solved by the
patient investigation of modern science.
The crooked stick manipulator and the
divining rod fakir must now retire to
less civilized parts of the earth to prove
their nonsense.

THE METHODS:
All substances are conductors of
electricity to a greater or less degree.
Some materials, as paper, glass, rubber
are very poor conductors of the elec
tricity; that is, they offer a high
resistance to its passage.

Metals are very good conductors of
electricity; that is, they offer scarcely
any resistance comparatively to the
passage of a current. Some metals are
better conductors than others. Gold,
silver and copper are three of the best
known conductors. The earth, when
containing no metal, is comparatively
a poor conductor; that is, it offers a much
higher resistance to the passage
of a current than when it contains
metal.

The method of locating metals in the
earth consists of measuring the resis
tance of the earth as a conductor be
tween rods inserted in the earth a de
finite known distance apart (50 or 100
feet, more or less, according to the
conditions).

The ohm being the unit of electrical
resistance in common use, is here em
ployed, and the measurement of resis
tance is indicated as a number of ohms.
A high number of ohms (as 300) indi
cates that the ground between the two
rods is barren of metal. A low number
of ohms (as 200) indicates that the ground
between the two rods contains some
good conductor; and there is nothing
in the ground naturally except metallic
mineral which possesses that quality,
so that a low resistance indicates the
presence of some metallic mineral or
minerals.

After taking and recording a mea
surement of resistance, the position of
the rods is changed (either one or both
being moved a short distance), so as to
include another section of earth of the
same length as before. The proper
connection by means of wire, are
again made, and a current of electricity
again sent through the ground (a small
battery being part of the apparatus).
The resistance of this section of earth
is now measured and recorded.

The operation is repeated many times
(sometimes several hundred measure
ments being taken over a claim), the
results are placed upon a map of the
ground, and a study of this map re
veals the presence of metallic mineral.

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The leading school of pupils for the month of
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St. IV.—Luna, Large Iron, Little
Minnie, McMeelie, Bert, McGrover,

Jr., IV.—Fannie, Snider, Ryan,
Greenwood, Roy Green,

II (a)—Paul, Sulley, Ross, T. Hodder,
Majory, Holland, Lewie, Frederic,
Alfred, Nellie,

III (b)—M. Mayers, N. Patterson, G.
Greenwood, O. Green,

II—H. Brash, J. McManus,
Hay,

Park II—E. Bush, G. Green, H.
Pritchard, L. Carlstrom, H. Ulster,
C. Burns, B. Holton,

St. Part I.—W. Clegg, G. Scott, E.
Johnson, M. Johnson, G. Cowie, J. John
Song,

Jr., Part I.—J. H. Hetherington, P.
Pritchard, A. Holton,

THE HOSPITAL.

Through its Agent in the Rat Portage
Lumber Co. were not thanked for their
exceedingly bountiful Christmas gift of
six turkeys, a large quantity of
oranges, grapes, raisins, nuts, sweet
meats, etc. We wish to thank them
now. Also Mrs. Reynard and the
nurses especially wish to thank Mr.
Horn for a very beautiful and comfort
able wicker rocking chair, and John
son's pharmacy for their kindness in
supplying a Lippmann's dictionary of
medical terms, thereby anticipating
the lectures so long and eagerly looked
forward to by the nurses. For this
much so far we have to thank Mrs.
Page for a large cake.

AN ENJOYABLE EVENING.

The members of the fire brigade and
the clergymen of the town were en
tertained by Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson
on Friday evening at their residence
on Main street.

About 9:30 o'clock the guests sat
down to a table laden with eatables,
everyone being delighted with the host
and hostess. After suppers songs and
speeches were the order of the evening.
Miss Edith McMillan rendered in
an effective manner "The Bonnie Boni
Banks of Loch Neamh" and Miss
Greenwood sang in good style "Anne
Laure". Short and amusing speeches
were given by the clergymen and fire
men. Some wee short hours agone
the train as the guests issued from the
scene of pleasure to wend their way
homewards, each was heard saying to
the other. " Didn't we have a fine
time."

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RAT PORTAGE, ONT., FEB. 4, 1902

CHANGING THE NAME.

The question of changing the name of Rat Portage to something more in keeping with the importance of the town, will be brought up at the meeting of the town council this evening. It seems to be the consensus of opinion among the leading men of the town that the name should be changed at once and that if active steps are taken, a bill might be put through at the present session of the legislature.

The choice of a suitable name to replace the present one will of course be a stumbling block, and we believe the longer the matter is discussed the larger the difficulty will grow. The name "Keenora" has become familiar to nearly everyone in the district and to many travellers and should it be chosen, the opposition will be light. It is a pretty and substantial name and indicative of a place of some importance.

SOUTH AFRICA GOLD FIELDS.

John Hays Hammond, the eminent mining engineer, says that the South African unpleasantness is an "interlude in the Transvaal's mining history, a result of its mineral wealth and probably a necessary evolution in its mining progress for the abolition of the old abuses."

"The prize of the struggle—the Witwatersrand or the White Water Range—is unique in the world's mining records, and I do not wonder at the growing enthusiasm in London at the prospect that will soon be recovered."

London is renewing its old interest in Kaffraria, and is planning great things in that line.

"The Rand is the world's richest storehouse of gold, all in what the West would call a little patch of ground 25 miles on either side of Johannesburg. It resembles anything but a mining district having the appearance of a grazing country. The reefs are accessible and rather easily worked. The deposits are unique in their unparalleled persistency of ore, which is interposed in the quartz and sandstone. It is not of very high quality, yielding about \$10 per ton. There are about 10,000 stamps in the district, which crush 7,000,000 tons a year. The war has blown over Johannesburg

FOUR BLACK CATS.**BROUGHT Boundless Pleasure of Anticipation, but That Was All.**

"We are made of less superstitions when it comes to black cats," said a well known young man about town, "and I was one of the first to believe in the black cat and good luck superstition in Washington until a few days ago."

"I had got tired of doing the same thing in my department over and over again in the year, and, being a member of one of the learned professions, I decided to attempt to secure a transfer to another department, where my training could be put to advantage to myself and lacking desirability to the government."

"I am from a state where the senior senator is a power in state and national politics, a man almost unapproachable by reason of his prominence, but who is personally one of the stanchest of friends to his friends, and whose recommendation usually carries, as it is seldom given, a chance to be one of his friends."

"Next to myself, the person more interested in my ambition was my sweetheart. One night about a month ago our turn from the theater on her doorstep sat a jet black cat with a white star on its breast. The cat followed us into the house in the most friendly manner, refused to go out until it was time for my departure, and then followed me to the sidewalk. My best girl in a rhapsody of delight declared that it was destined by the stars that I was to get my appointment."

"Two or three days later, on the eve of my departure for the great and wicked city which is my home, I stepped into a restaurant on Eleventh street for lunch. A cat as black as ink with a white star on its breast, came in the door, walked right up to my table and remained there until I finished my meal. When I told my sweetheart about the cat's visit when she saw that evening, she had another spasm of delight, saying that defeat for me was impossible."

"I left for home about two weeks ago and on the very first night of my arrival, as I was leaving the hotel, a big black cat with a white star on its breast came out of the cafe and rubbed its arched back against my shins. I returned at once to the writing room and wrote my girl about it. I received by return mail a letter of eighteen closely written pages explaining that with the third black cat thus thrust in my pathway my appointment was inevitable and that she could hardly contain her joy."

"On the day before I was to see the senator, I stopped on Broadway for lunch. I was almost paralyzed with delight when the fourth black cat came up to my table and purred about my feet in the most friendly manner.

"Need I tell you that the senator was kindness and graciousness itself and laid my ambition to get up in the line of my chosen profession? Need I say that the endorsements of my district leader and congressional candidate and those of my professional friends were literally thrown at my head? Need I say that my sweetheart wrote me an eighteen page double lined letter every day telling me that I couldn't lose? Need I add that everything in the bigcity I wanted came my way? It is not idle to tell you that one of the great men who directs the councils of his party and who is a power throughout the administration, ought to have given me an assistant secretaryship and personally wished me luck?"

"And need I tell you that the cabinet officer to whom I presented my papers frankly told me that, having no places vacant, he could not give me one; that I had my trouble for my pains and that the four black cats threw me down hard, that my sweetheart's nose and eyes were red from weeping that she couldn't go to the theater and that I have for disposal the strongest set of endorsements which

ONLY TWINS.**BUT THEY MADE A LOT OF TROUBLE ON "DE OMNIBUS."**

"Here is a story from Mr. Barry Pain's amusing book, 'De Omnibus.' It is the condenser that speaks:

"That isn't the only time I've bin done. Eric's brother died. And don't forget, see how people sneekly alike, nor even in appearance. I did once, and I wish I didn't. It appeared this aye: A young man went on air bus, at back of 'is head, grey coat and striped hose, kerrin' a leath'r pipe, pawell and black walkin' stick with a white handle to it. 'E wen' up on top. I followed 'im, punched a penn ticket and giv it 'im turned round and went down ag'in. As soon as I got down I foun' him sittin' inside ag'in the door-sill livin' sine 'at, dose the sine wye sine clothes, pawell, walkin' stick and ev'rythinks."

"Excuse me, sir," I says, "but 'ow did yer get 'em?"

"The other wye," says 'e, lookin' surprised.

"Then yer didn't," says I, "for yer'd 'ad to come passe me."

"I dunno what yer're talkin' about," says 'e. "Give me my ticket."

"I've just this moment giv it yer," says I.

"Ave yer?" says 'e. "Well, I ain't got it, any owl."

"B'ye yer aw, thim," says I. "Ter kin' ave a dozen o' em fur a simlin' if ye're fond o' em."

"F'erd better be keerful," says 'e.

Predinly I 'as to go up top, and that if he wasn't then just wheer I left 'im in the fast time.

"Look 'ere," I says, "I don't know 'ow yer works this anxy-punk, but I've 'ad about enough of it, and so I tells yer strike!"

"E says, 'I dunno what yer thinks yet,' but yet kin' like it from me that if yer gets drunk while ye're on this bus you'll find yourself in trouble."

I gives dasn' ag'in, and there 'e was settin' ag'in the door as afore.

"Very well," says I, shakin' my fist in his face. "If ye moves ag'in except fer fit set in the orner way, I'll take yer and throw yer into the road!"

"Ye says, 'I says, 'Ye don't like change of bus!'"

"I ain't ter 'ave change of bus!"

"Some women strut their best, But no head towers o'er them all. Who owns a cedar chest?"

SIZING HIM UP.

"Yonder goes that short story writer."

"I knew he was short, but didn't know that he wrote."

MANAGING A MAN.

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CONTRACTS.

Inside de white man grivin'

Kaze he can't own all de streets;

Outside a George banjo

E'n nigger's dancin' fest!

QUALIFIED PRAISE.

"Just got my new photographs. Fine, aren't they?"

"Splendid. Glad you told me who it was."

NOT GAME.

"She's not received in the best society, I'm told."

"No, entre nous, she gets cold feet at bridge."

ROSES AND THORNS.

The bitter mingles with the sweet

In brown October's cup.

JINGLES AND JESTS.**THE NIGHTMARE.**

The nightmare comes to plague us when
The lights are all put out; We did ourselves in half
To get us to bed about.

We suffer all the agonies
Of masters at the stake,
And just as all seems lost at last
We manage to awake.

Then in a trice the woe is ours;
We thought we had dispense;

The nightmare comes to teach us that
Our troubles might be worse.

AN EXAMPLE.

Teacher—Yes, "revive" means to "come to." Now make a sentence containing that word.

Bright Boy—If one apple costs three cents, what'll four apples revive?

A REPORT.

He—How is the new cook getting along?

His Wife—Well, I had to discharge her twice this morning, but since then she's been doing fairly well.

LOOKING FOR TROUBLE.

A young football player named Bunting,

Who lately for trouble was hunting,

Ran 'stool of a mate,

Who dismayed the young fool

With a strong exhibition of hunting.

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To the Creditors, Contractors, Shareholders and Members of the Credit Granite Gold Mining and Development Company of Ontario, Limited.

PURSUANT to the Winding-up Order in a private action received in Vancouver relating to an incident which shows that Hon. Joe Martin is still on the boards. The story is that when the Duke of York was in Vancouver Mr. Martin entered the leading club of that city and addressed a group of the members who were discussing the royal visit.

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Through Tickets.

the growing enthusiasm in London at the prospect that will soon be recovered. London is renewing its old interest in Railways, and is planning great things in that line.

The Rand is the world's richest storehouse of gold, all in what the West would call a little patch of ground 25 miles on either side of Johannesburg. It resembles anything but a mining district having the appearance of a grazing country. The reefs are accessible and rather easily worked. The deposits are unique in their unparalleled persistency of ore, which is interpreted in the quartz and sandstone. It is not of very high quality, yielding about \$10 per ton. There are about 10,000 stamps in the district, which crush 7,000,000 tons a year. The war has blown over Johannesburg without doing any vital damage to the plants.

Since its discovery in 1885, the Rand has yielded \$100,000,000 in gold, and just before the war it was yielding at the rate of \$100,000,000 a year, or one-third of the world's production—a rate which some years before, when the yield was but \$25,000,000 a year I had predicted would come before the end of the century.

Yet with all this richness there may be some disillusionment in the next generation. The reefs, it is true, are over a mile deep, and the conditions favor de-pricing. The increase in temperature is only one degree for 200 feet, so that we can mine down 10,000 feet. The deposits, however, are not as asserted, practically unlimited. I believe that the future life of the Transvaal will not exceed 30 years, which means a yield of not much more than \$3,000,000,000. In 8 or 10 years after the peace the Rand will have reached its zenith.

The right of a stockholder to inspect a mine of which he is part owner is recognized in New Zealand more fully than in this country, or indeed in any other mining country in which we are aware. The mining law in 1898 provides that any person owning a share or interest in any mine is entitled to enter and inspect that mine, with or without an attendant expert, on any day between the hours of noon and 1 o'clock; and for my manager or director to obstruct such inspection is to commit an offence against the law, which is punishable by pecuniary penalties. Even this is not considered sufficient, and a bill is now pending in the New Zealand Parliament to increase the time allowed and otherwise enlarge the stockholder's right to inspect his property.

Manager Hallett, of the Hilliard Opera House, has arranged with the Stayton Lycum Bureau of Chicago for course of three entertainments to be given here on Feb. 10th, March 11th and 31st. The first will be the Stayton Jubilee Singers on Monday evening next. They come highly recommended by the press, and will no doubt present one of the best entertainments ever given in the opera house.

My chosen profession? Need I say that the indorsements of my district leader and congressional candidate and those of my professional friends were literally thrown at my head? Need I say that my sweetheart wrote me an eighteen page double lined letter every day telling me that I couldn't lose? Need I add that everything in the bicycile I wanted came my way?—Is it not idle to tell you that one of the great men who directs the councils of his party and who is a power therein united with the senator in an endorsement which had it been at the beginning of the administration, ought to have given me an assistant secretaryship and personally wished me luck?

"And need I tell you that the cabinet officer to whom I presented my papers frankly told me that, having no place vacant, he could not give me one; that I had my trouble for my pains and that the four black cats threw me down hard, that my sweetheart's nose and eyes were red from weeping that she couldn't go to the theater and that I bare for disposal the strongest set of indorsements which can be picked up on Pennsylvania avenue in an hour's walk?"—Washington Star.

Enemies of the Fishes.

Hatchers of trout and other fish find that the fish tribe has more enemies than they ever supposed before they came into position to know. Mink and weasels eat a pond and, using their claws as soft hooks, pull numbers of the fry out of water. Hawks, kingfishers and herons are always on the watch to say nothing of tame ducks and geese.

A favorite method of killing the former sort of marauders is to line the ponds with tin. Then a mink or weasel getting into the water will find it impossible to climb out and may be shot or speared as desired.

Hawks and kingfishers have a way of staying on some convenient perch near the pond. The fish hatcher makes a perch for them by erecting a pole with a groove in the top, cut so that a steel trap will just fit into it. When the next bird alights, it is caught and killed.

Bird Soft Spot.

"You must not touch the top of the baby's head," said a mother to her four-year-old. "She has a soft spot there that is very tender."

The youngster gazed at it curiously for a moment, and then asked:

"All babies have soft spots on their heads?"

"Yes. Did pap have a soft spot on the top of his head when he was a baby?"

"Yes," replied the mother with a sigh, "and he has got it yet."

And the old man, who had heard the conversation from an adjoining room,

"Yes, indeed he has, my dear boy, or he would be a single man today."

Going the Rounds.

Aunt Dina—Major, if you end up giving me a good bath you'll make both happy.

Major Judd—Four, aunt?

Aunt Dina—Ten, sir. Do ole man still walk dem fur awhile, fe' gib dem to Jim. Den Jim'll gib dem to Pelt, or after Pete weaks dem fur awhile, hell just den on de mule to keep de flies off his hind legs.

Universal Music.

Professor of Music—What note have all the great composers and singers been most partial to?

Fictitious Pupil—A banknote.

Tart Retort.

He—Will you be my wife?

She—The idea! Don't be ridiculous.

He—Yes, I know it sounds ridiculous, but, then, I'm not as particular as some men are.

In all chirology the day is recognized as the most obvious division of time, next to it being the interval between one new moon and its successor.

Don't eat between meals.
Don't drink tea with meat.
Don't eat fish with a knife.
Don't drink much at meals.
Don't eat ice with a spoon.
Don't overdecorate the table.
Don't serve onions after fish.
Don't eat much for breakfast.
Don't drink when overeaten.
Don't bite off a piece of bread.
Don't eat after 10 o'clock p.m.
Don't eat much when traveling.
Don't serve bacon without toast.
Don't eat too soon after exercise.
Don't always drink when thirsty.
Don't serve asparagus with meat.
Don't use a knife for green salads.
Don't eat everything that you like.
Don't drink beer or salt for dinner.
Don't drink by water with hot food.
Don't drink water from a city river.
Don't serve soup twice to any guest.
Don't eat boiled eggs from a tumbler.
Don't scold the servant at the table.
Don't eat anything that you don't like.
Don't serve hot cutlets on cold plates.
Don't eat to please anybody but your self.

Don't serve boiled fish without potato.

Don't overload the table or the guest with food.

Don't serve more than two vegetables with one meat.

Don't use strong scented flowers for the decorations.

A Diplomat's soldier.

According to the Paris Figaro, it was at Compiegne that the King of Rome, "The Eagle," granted the first petition that was presented to him. He had reached the mature age of six months when an old soldier who had already received many favors from the emperor decided that he wanted more and thought it would be a good scheme to address his petition to the heir to the throne and thus work on Napoleon's sympathies. He dressed his petition to his majesty, the King of Rome.

Napoleon smiled when he read the address and ordered the Duke of Frioul to take the paper to the king and read it to him. This was done with due solemnity and state, and the duke returned to the emperor.

"What did his majesty say?" asked Napoleon.

"Nothing," replied the duke.

"Silence gives consent," said the emperor. "Now that this old rascal of a soldier gets what he wants."

Specify Details.

The tramp was very tired and sorely in need of something fit to eat. He approached a farm-house and, meeting the farmer's wife, observed:

"Give me something to satisfy the cravings of the inner man, and I will tell all the rats about the place."

"Agreed," was the answer.

He was given a good plate of meat and bread, which he consumed speedily, and then asked for the heaviest mallet that could be found. Receiving the club he sat down upon the threshold and said to the farmer's wife:

"Now, bring out your rats."

Moral—Always have the details specified in a contract.—London Answers.

A Dead Beat With One Entry.

"What's the funniest thing I ever saw?" repeated the gentleman of sporting tendencies. "Well, I guess it was a dead beat in an event where there was only one entry." "How's in the world was that?" came from the other end of the store, and when the answer came, "A cremation," the questioner ordered the cigars.

In place of wedding cake in Holland wedding sweets are given. "Bruid krenten" they are called. They are handed round by children and are served in flower decorated baskets.

Giving you last night.
She—Well, you must be careful not to overexert yourself, Jack.

Contract.

Inside de white man grizzly!
Kaze he can't own all streets;

Outside a Georgy banjo
En a bigger's dance' fest!

Qualified Praise.

"Just got my new photographs. Fine, aren't they?"

"Splendid. Glad you told me who it was."

Not Game.

"She's not received in the best society, I'm told."

"No ent're nous, she gets cold feet at bridge."

Roses and Thorns.

The bitter berries with the sweet
In brown October's cup.

No more woe to summer's heat,
But coal is going up.

A Family Affair.

"What a pity you are going to marry a man of no family, dear!"

"Well, it's better than marrying a man with one anyhow."

Seasonable.

The frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock.

And morning now are very sharp at five o'clock.

—Detroit Free Press.

Just a Beginner.

She—Has she many friends in society?

He—Oh, yes; she hasn't been in long, you know.

The Present Test of Wealth.

The man who has the country debts
Full atop a mighty tone,
Sells the man who buys or sells;
He has potates of his own.

Birthday Privilege.

Children in Chorus—Many happy returns of the day, grandpa, and mamma says if you give us each fifty cents we won't lose it!

Malay Influence.

He came home from Manila
With health-somewhat precarious,
And to inquire friends said
He guessed he was Malayan.

Not His First Love.

She—I suppose you will commit suicide if I refuse you?

He—That has been my custom.—Smart Set.

Their Last Chance.

Some girls marry in the autumn,
When the leaves begin to fall—

That is, if the dear girls ever

Get a chance to wed at all.

Financial.

She—Were you upset by the bank failure?

He—Yes; I lost my balance.—Boston Herald.

Embarrassing.

"We'll think twice before speaking;
Man's tongue is addic'ted to jinx,
And he who does speak without thinking
Is apt to speak just what he thinks.

Properly Described.

"After all, what is fashion?"

"An incentive to trade."

Alma, Ho Come!

Some women parties fall to flight,
Will rule that earth once more,
And in her train will come the right
Who never minds the door.

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IN MEMORIAM.

The members of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers employed on the Fort William, Ignace, and Rat Portage sections of the C. P. R. at a recent meeting unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"We sincerely tender our profound sympathy to the relatives of our deceased Bro. G. M. Gould, whose death occurred Jan. 29th. He for some time past creditably filled the office of chairman of the organization. His services were ever cheerfully given in the interests of our noble order. His happy disposition and courteous manners endeared him to all who knew him, therefore be it

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of so faithful an officer, beloved brother and friend from our ranks, and be it further

Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the relatives of deceased and also to our official organ."

W. J. O'NEILL, "W. H. McNALLY,
Chairman." Secy.

THE Peoples Forum

We do not hold ourselves responsible for any opinions expressed by our correspondents. They may be contradicted with entire freedom, but not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

To the Editor of The Miner:

Rat Portage, Feb. 3, 1902.

According to some statements made in some of the newspapers to the west of us we feel inclined to think that those newspapers, or rather some of their correspondents, are not living in the age of today, or at least they must be entirely at the foot of the class. If that statement re the water supply giving out during the fire of last Monday morning could have been made twenty-five years ago we would not have taken so much notice of it, but at this age and with the fact fronting us that there are machines called recording gauges, one of which can be seen

Clothesline Knot.—"Mrs. Sykes was down for six numbers, but was compelled by the delighted audience to make it twelve." Her singing shows that she has talent of an emperor nature. Her execution is so distinct that very well is every understood.

She possesses a voice of charming sweetness, purity and power and sings without any apparent effort." She will sing at Knox Church on Thursday evening, Feb. 6th.

Mrs. T. G. Sykes, who attended the Halloween celebration of Clan Stewart of the O. S. C., at Duluth Thursday evening received much favorable comment on a solo she sang at the gathering. The Duluth News Tribune says: "The hit of the evening was scored by Mrs. Florence N. Sykes, who

was as good as the water supply of last Monday morning's fire."

If there was no recording gauge at all showing the water pressure carried at the fire or the length of time carried, so that we would have to take the engineer's word entirely for this, even then such a statement as the water supply giving out would be entirely out of place, but as there is a recording gauge that will tell at all times, the number of pounds water pressure carried, I think that the supply of water should not be one argument be questioned.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for this little space in your paper.

Yours,

BATTERAYE.

To the Editor of the Miner:

Toronto, Feb. 1, 1902.

Sir.—I notice in your report of the Kishaw fire you state that owing to the failure in the part of the C. T. & E. Co.'s central office to notify the power house, etc., and again in your editorials you give expression to ex-secretary Taylor's views of the position of the C. T. & E. Co., when, I am sure, that gentleman does not know or possibly has never seen any agreement between the town and the company, and therefore does not know what obligations the company are under. Chief Nielsen is correct—our contract is to maintain the alarm so it can be operated; we do not undertake to turn on alarms, as in time of fire our operators have their hands full attending to their duties, and in the rush it might—if it were their duty—be overlooked. Knowing the rush of calls at a time of fire, I have on several occasions recommended to the councils of several years the advisability of placing an alarm box in the fire hall, so that when a telephone alarm or one brought by messenger comes in, the same party who pulls the town bell can easily pull the box.

I think, sir, before you criticize a company and attribute neglect to them you should make yourself conversant with the terms of their undertaking, as I believe you have no disposition to act unfairly, and I think we are entitled to fair play. You had just as much occasion to say that owing to the neglect of the Miner not calling up and notifying the pump house, etc., it being your duty just as much as the C. T. & E. Co. or of any other citizen. We undertake to keep up the system of wires, etc., and supply battery power. The turning on of alarms is a duty of the public generally.

Respectfully yours,
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Read Appendix A and the Early Symptoms of Decay.

From the Sub, Oranville, Ont.

Hard study at school occupied with the lack of attention which every young girl merging into womanhood should have, is responsible not only for the many pale faces and attenuated forms met with, but lamentable frequency, but is responsible also for the loss of many valuable young lives. First there is an occasional headache, and a sallowness of complexion, from which stages, if these early symptoms are neglected, the condition gradually grows worse and worse until decline or consumption sets in and death claims another victim of parental neglect. Upon mothers especially devolves a great responsibility as their daughters approach womanhood. The following tragic story told a reporter of the Sun by Mrs. O. Hermin said:—About fifteen months ago my daughter, Kate while attending the public school studied hard. We noticed that she began to complain of headaches. This was followed by listlessness and an utter indifference to the things that usually interest young girls. We consulted a doctor, and she took bottle after bottle of medicine, but with no benefit. Often she would arise in the morning after an almost sleepless night, her limbs all a quiver and her head feeling. She would be attacked with spells of dizziness, and on the least exertion her heart would palpitate violently, and we were really afraid she would not recover. At this stage my husband suggested that we should try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and he brought home several boxes. Kate had only taken the pills a few weeks when there was a great change for the better. She grew stronger, began to eat better and to have better color, and from this stage it was not long until she was again enjoying the best of health and able to resume her studies at school. I might also tell you these pills cured my daughter Emma of an attack of rheumatism, so that you see we have an alibi reason to praise them, and I earnestly recommend to all mothers whose daughters may be suffering as mine did."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure all diseases that have their origin either in poor or watery condition of the blood or shattered nerves. It is because they make rich red blood and strengthen the nerves with every dose that they cure such troubles as anaemia, consumption, fits in its early stages, nervous headache, St. Vitus disease, rheumatism, partial paralysis, kidney trouble, indigestion, etc. Ordinary medicine merely acts upon the symptoms of the trouble, and when such medicines are discontinued the trouble returns often in an aggravated form. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills on the contrary go direct to the root of the trouble and cure to stay cured. Set that the full name, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for People," is found on the wrapper of every box. If your dealer does not have them send direct and they will be mailed, post paid, at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Miner Publishing Co. of Rat Portage, Limited, will be held at the Miner Office, Rat Portage, on Wednesday, Feb. 12, 1902, at 8 p.m., for the receiving report of directors and other business.

Dated at Rat Portage, Jan. 30, 1902.
J. P. KANSKY, Secretary.

Keep hair brush in alcohol and applying it to the spots.

A leak in a gas pipe may be located without the use of a light by painting the pipe with soap and water. Bubbles will indicate where the leak is.

You can drive rats out of the house and away from the barn or granary by scattering strong quinine in the runways. They cannot stand its action on their teeth.

To polish wood take a piece of pumice stone and water and pass regularly over the wood until the rising of the grain is cut down; then take powdered tripoli and boiled linseed oil and polish to a bright surface.

To make dinner plates and dishes hot before sending to the table dip them in very hot water instead of putting them in the oven. This takes only a little more time than putting them in the oven and is less liable to crack the china.

Old Names for Guns.

As the use of artillery became more common and the advantages of portability and a greater mobility of fire were recognized guns, except among the orientals, became smaller, but of better workmanship and construction. Inventors began to try their hands at all sorts of improvements or attempts at improvement, and in the course of a hundred years or so the number of different pieces of cannon, four or five classes of culverins, bombard, mortars, pavers, serpentines, carboums, curtails, pas-servants or gatelaines, basiliks, orgies, salets, mionnes, moignes, falcons and falconets, rotinets, fowlers, bases, slings, nest-peepers, maulers, drakes, aspies, double dogs and lancers, to say nothing of ribaldogues, flying dragons and portuguese mortars.

The Harmattan or Whistling Wind.

The name of harmattan has been given a periodical wind which blows from the interior of Africa toward the Atlantic during the three months of December, January and February. It sets in with a dry or hot air which sometimes conceals the sun for whole weeks together. Even grass, plants, every bit of grass and leaf, is withered as though it had been seared by heat from a furnace; often within an hour after it begins to blow green grass is dry enough to burn like paper. Even the hardened natives lose all of the skin on exposed parts during the prevalence of this withering wind.

A Boy's Delight.

Clifford was a good sized boy, but was still in knickerbockers. He had lost a near and dear relative and was heartbroken. A wealthy uncle on a visit to the family undertook to divert his mind. "Clifford, my boy," said the uncle, "we'll go down town pretty soon, and I want you to think up something you would rather have than anything else in this world. Make up your mind now, and we'll get it, no matter what it is."

Clifford reflected for several minutes. Then his face brightened. "Get me a pair of suspenders, uncle."

He said:

The Polite Young Man.—"Yes," said the haughty young woman, who was a Colonial Dame as well as a Daughter of the Revolution, "my great-great-grandfather fell at Bunker Hill." "Ice or banana skin?" inquired the polite young man from Milwaukee.

Selling Out.

"But I thought that he was really selling out to quit business," said Tempot. "Yes he was," replied Gilfoyle, "but he found it so profitable that he resolved to have a series of closing out sales."

Judas.



Dated at Rat Portage this 31st day of January, A. D. 1902.
THOS. WALSH, Secretary.

Notice of Meeting

Public notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Tragis Gold Mining Company of Ontario, Limited, will be held at the head office of the Company in the Town of Rat Portage, in the Province of Ontario on Monday, the 19th day of February, A. D. 1902, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the directors for the past year and electing directors for the ensuing year and such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1902.
RAYMOND S. FARR, Secretary.

LAND TITLES ACT Mortgage Sale OF VALUABLE PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT OF RAINY RIVER.



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Under power of sale contained in a certain charge or mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be sold by public auction at the Town Hall at the Town of Rat Portage by R. J. Piroo, auctioneer, on Friday, the 28th day of February, A. D. 1902, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, the following valuable property, namely:

That certain parcel of land registered under the Land Titles Act as parcel 316 in the Register for Rainy River, situated in the District of Rainy River and Province of Ontario, namely:

1. That part of Block "A" in the said district of Rainy River as shown on a Plan M. 28 filed in the office of Land Titles at Rat Portage, and particularly described as follows:—Commencing at a point in the northerly limit of the right of way of the Canadian Pacific Railway at the distance of 32.25 chains West perpendicular from the East boundary of said Block "A," the ice North parallel to the aforesaid East boundary of said Block "A" to the distance of 16.45 chains to the Southerly limit of the Colonization Road, thence Southeasterly along the Southerly limit of said Colonization Road to the Northeast corner of the said Block "A," thence South along the East boundary of the said Block "A" a distance of 14.47 chains to the Southeast corner thereof, thence westerly along the northerly limit to the right of way after said of the Canadian Pacific Railway to the place of beginning, containing five acres more or less.

2. Block "G" in the said District as shown on above Plan M. 28 filed in the office of Land Titles at Rat Portage.

On the said part of Block "G" is said to be erected a rough-cast cott. about 20x22 ft. and upon said cott. a rough-cast cottage about 21x20 ft., a frame barn about 32x24 ft., and milk-house about 12x14 ft.

The said property is very advantageously situated in land adjacent to the Town of Rat Portage and is suitable for farm or dairy purposes.

TERMS:—Ten per cent. of the purchase money, at the time of sale and the balance in 30 days thereafter.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

ALLEN MCLENNAN,
Solicitor, &c.,
Rat Portage,
Solicitor for the Vendor.
Dated at Rat Portage this 28th day of January, 1902.